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PUBLIC MEETING MINUTES:	BOARD OF ACCOUNTANCY
DATA AND TIME:	Wednesday, July 19, 2017 at 9:00 a.m.
PLACE:	861 Silver Lake Boulevard, Dover, Delaware Conference Room B , second floor of the Cannon Building
MINUTES APPROVED:	August 16, 2017

MEMBERS PRESENT

Kathryn Schultz, Professional Member, President
John McManus, Professional Member
Sarah Patterson, Professional Member
Araya Debessay, Educational Member
Susan Benson, Professional Member

ABSENT

Alison Houck, Professional Member, Secretary
Prameela Kaza, Public Member
Karen Smith, Professional Member
Richard Snyder, Public Member

DIVISION STAFF/DEPUTY ATTORNEY GENERAL

Kevin Maloney, Deputy Attorney General
LaTonya Brown, Administrative Specialist II

ALSO PRESENT

Dana Rubenstein, DSCPA
Barbara Schoenberg, licensee
Mark Stanton
Mary Heim, DAPA
John Gipprich, DAPA

CALL TO ORDER

Ms. Schultz called the meeting to order at 9:30 a.m.

REVIEW OF MINUTES

A motion was made by Mr. McManus, seconded by Mr. Debessay, to approve the minutes dated June 21, 2017. The motion carried unanimously.

Unfinished Business

Re-Review of Applications

Xia Cao

A motion was made by Mr. McManus, seconded by Mr. Debessay, to approve the CPA Permit to Practice application of Xia Cao. The motion carried unanimously.

Susan Kelley

A motion was made by Mr. Debessay, seconded by Mr. McManus, to approve the CPA Permit to Practice application of Susan Kelley. The motion carried unanimously.

Re-Review of Consideration of Hearing Officers Recommendations

Han Kim

The board reviewed and signed the order.

Victoria Shifrin Leeker

The board reviewed and signed the order.

Dawn Schumaker

The board reviewed and signed the order.

Kelly Tsang

The board reviewed and signed the order.

Thomas Diegidio

The board reviewed and signed the order.

Re-review of Inactive Status- Christopher DeMartin

A motion was made by Mr. McManus, seconded by Ms. Patterson, to make a motion to amend the decision at the June 21, 2017 meeting. The motion carried unanimously.

A motion was made by Ms. Schultz, seconded by Mr. McManus, to deny Mr. DeMartin's request to become inactive. The motion carried unanimously.

(Mr. DeMartin is a licensed PA; only CPA's can be considered inactive.)

New Business

Review of CPA Permit to Practice – Reinstatement Applications

Gilbert Gyimah

A motion was made by Ms. Schultz, seconded by Mr. McManus, to propose to deny the application of Mr. Gyimah contingent upon being able to submit live courses within the renewal timeframe. The motion carried unanimously.

Richard Klumpp

A motion was made by Ms. Schultz, seconded by Mr. McManus, to approve the application of Mr. Klumpp. The motion carried unanimously.

Karin Meis

A motion was made by Ms. Schultz, seconded by Mr. McManus, to approve the application of Ms. Meis. The motion carried unanimously.

John Cirillo

A motion was made by Ms. Schultz, seconded by Mr. McManus, to approve the application of Mr. Cirillo. The motion carried unanimously.

Stewart Renard

A motion was made by Ms. Schultz, seconded by Mr. McManus, to approve the application of Mr. Renard. The motion carried unanimously.

Ellen Riley

A motion was made by Ms. Schultz, seconded by Mr. McManus, to approve the application of Ms. Riley. The motion carried unanimously.

Kristin Barshinger

A motion was made by Ms. Schultz, seconded by Mr. McManus, to approve the application of Ms. Barshinger. The motion carried unanimously.

Mui Lam

A motion was made by Ms. Schultz, seconded by Mr. McManus, to propose to deny the application of Ms. Lam. The motion carried unanimously.

Jeph Mathurin

A motion was made by Ms. Schultz, seconded by Mr. McManus, to approve the application of Mr. Mathurin. The motion carried unanimously.

Tara French

A motion was made by Ms. Schultz, seconded by Mr. McManus, to approve the application of Ms. French. The motion carried unanimously.

Alexander Caruana

A motion was made by Ms. Schultz, seconded by Mr. McManus, to approve the application of Mr. Caruana. The motion carried unanimously.

Review of CPA Permit to Practice Applications

Jie Xian

A motion was made by Ms. Patterson, seconded by Mr. Debessay to approve the application of Ms. Xian. The motion carried unanimously.

Luzhou Wu

A motion was made by Ms. Patterson, seconded by Mr. Debessay to approve the application of Ms. Wu. The motion carried unanimously.

Jingyu Li

A motion was made by Ms. Patterson, seconded by Mr. Debessay to approve the application of Ms. Li. The motion carried unanimously.

Ishmael McKenzie

A motion was made by Ms. Patterson, seconded by Mr. Debessay to approve the application of Ishmael McKenzie contingent upon receipt of AICPA Ethics Exam scores. The motion carried unanimously.

Victor Ramos

A motion was made by Ms. Patterson, seconded by Mr. Debessay to approve the application of Victor Ramos contingent upon receipt of AICPA Ethics Exam scores. The motion carried unanimously.

Review of CPA Firm Permit to Practice Applications

John Torkelson, Jr. CPA

A motion was made by Mr. McManus, seconded by Mr. Debessay, to approve the application of John Torkelson, Jr., CPA. The motion carried unanimously.

LIJ LLC.

A motion was made by Mr. McManus, seconded by Mr. Debessay, to approve the application of LIJ LLC. The motion carried unanimously.

Barbara Schoenberg

A motion was made by Mr. McManus, seconded by Mr. Debessay, to approve the application of Barbara Schoenberg CPA, LLC. The motion carried unanimously.

Wendy CPA, LLC. dba Cornerstone, CPA

A motion was made by Mr. McManus, seconded by Mr. Debessay, to approve the application of Wendy CPA, LLC.dba Cornerstone, CPA. The motion carried unanimously.

Ratification of Applications

A motion was made by Ms. Schultz, seconded by Mr. McManus, to approve the ratification of applications for Janet Rzewnicki and Christopher Ciminera. The motion carried unanimously.

Review and Consideration of Hearing Officers Recommendations

Purvi Nipun Ragoowansi

A motion was made by Ms. Schultz, seconded by Mr. McManus, to approve the recommendation with some amendments. The motion carried unanimously.

Kazuki Tabashi

A motion was made by Ms. Schultz, seconded by Mr. McManus, to approve the recommendation with some amendments. The motion carried unanimously.

Agnes Hoi Yan Ling

A motion was made by Ms. Schultz, seconded by Mr. McManus, to approve the recommendation with some amendments. The motion carried unanimously.

Yang Chen

A motion was made by Mr. McManus, seconded by Ms. Patterson, to approve the recommendation for Yang Chen. The motion carried unanimously

Yoshiki Kawahara

A motion was made by Mr. McManus, seconded by Ms. Benson, to approve the recommendation with some amendments. The motion carried unanimously.

Ali Haji Warsame Ahmed

A motion was made by Ms. Schultz, seconded by Ms. Benson, to approve the recommendation with amendments, for Ali Haji Warsame Ahmed. The motion carried unanimously.

Timothy Connolly

A motion was made by Mr. McManus, seconded by Ms. Benson, to approve the recommendation with amendments, for Mr. Connolly. The motion carried unanimously.

Barbara Schoenberg

A motion was made by Ms. Schultz, seconded by Mr. McManus, to approve the recommendation with some amendments. The motion carried unanimously.

Review of Delaware Specific Course
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A motion was made by Mr. McManus, seconded by Ms. Patterson, to table the ethics course for further review. The motion carried unanimously.

Post-Renewal Audit

The board discussed the percentage that they would like to audit during the 2015-2017 renewal. The board decided to audit 10% of random active licensees and 100% of late renewals. The audit notices will be mailed out before August 1, 2017.

Correspondence

OTHER BUSINESS BEFORE THE BOARD (For Discussion Only)

Shauna Slaughter, Deputy Director- Discussion of Audits

Ms. Slaughter discussed the audit process with the board and discussed the importance of getting the audits reviewed in a timely manner.

PUBLIC COMMENT

NEXT SCHEDULED MEETING

The next meeting will be held August 16, 2017 at 9:00 a.m. in Conference Room B, second floor of the Cannon Building, 861 Silver Lake Boulevard, Dover, Delaware.

ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by Mr. McManus, seconded by Mr. Debessay to adjourn the meeting. The motion carried unanimously. The meeting adjourned at 10:14 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "LaTonya Brown". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

LaTonya Brown
Administrative Specialist II